

TOWNSHIP OF FALLS AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING

February 24, 2010

The regular monthly meeting of the Township of Falls Authority was held on Wednesday, February 24, 2010, in the conference room at 225 Lincoln Highway, Fairless Hills, PA, at 7:41P.M.

Salute to the Flag

Roll Call - Debra DeBlasio, Chairperson, John Palmer, Vice Chairman, Lisa Mangone, Secretary, William Renson, Treasurer and James Goodwin, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer were present. Edward Zanine, Authority Solicitor, Vanessa Nedrick, Authority Engineer, David Busch, Keystone Alliance Consulting, Edna Miller, Business Manager and Megan O'Neill, Recording Secretary were also present.

Item #1 - Solicitor's Report on the Executive Session - Edward Zanine reported that the collective bargaining agreement was discussed in Executive Session.

Item #2 - Approve Meeting Minutes for January 27, 2010 - Lisa Mangone made a motion to accept the minutes for January 27, 2010 with the revision. William Renson seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

Item #3 – Public Comment – There was no one signed up for public comment.

Item #4 – Solicitor Comment – Edward Zanine reported that the negotiations with the Union are still continuing.

Edward Zanine reported that he is reviewing an agreement for an antenna to be placed on the Warner Tank at Newbold Road.

Edward Zanine reported that the agreements for the Towns at Oxford Falls are in the developers' hands and he is waiting for the signed copy to be returned to him.

Item #5 – Engineer Report– Engineer's Report attached.

Vanessa Nedrick reported that the Water Meter Project is complete. Vanessa Nedrick recommended paying National Metering \$44,304.76 contingent upon TOFA receiving a Warranty Bond.

Vanessa Nedrick presented to the Board two Change Orders one for Total Construction Solutions in the amount of \$3,772.17 and the other for McIntyre Plumbing in the amount of \$1,800.00.

Lisa Mangone made a motion to accept Change Order #3 for Total Construction in the amount of \$3,772.17. John Palmer seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

James Goodwin Yes  
William Renson Yes  
Lisa Mangone Yes  
John Palmer Yes  
Debra DeBlasio Yes

Motion Carried 5-0.

Lisa Mangone made a motion to accept Change Order #1 for McIntyre Plumbing in the amount of \$1,800.00. William Renson seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

James Goodwin Yes  
William Renson Yes  
Lisa Mangone Yes  
John Palmer Yes  
Debra DeBlasio Yes

Motion Carried 5-0.

Vanessa Nedrick reported that she had a meeting with Penndot on Wednesday February 17<sup>th</sup>. At that time Penndot urged the Authority to install the water main at the intersection of Trenton Road and Bristol Oxford Valley as an emergency because Penndot will not hold up the paving contract. K.E. Seifert submitted a proposal to TOFA, in the amount of \$56,504.00, for the water main installation.

The Board directed Vanessa Nedrick to talk with Penndot concerning the project. Since Penndot is requiring a jack and bore method of construction the Authority wanted to inquire if the project could be completed at a later date allowing the Authority to complete design along with other segments of the entire project.

Vanessa Nedrick reported to the Board that the low bidder for the Queen Anne Drive Sewer Reconstruction was Couzins. At this time Couzins has requested to retract their bid. The Board directed Vanessa Nedrick to award the project to the lowest bidder still standing.

Vanessa Nedrick informed the Board that Norfolk Southern has submitted revised plans but at this time they have not replenished the escrow account and the plans will not be looked at until the escrow account has been replenished.

John Palmer questioned Vanessa Nedrick whether or not she has looked into any lighting and/or security grant. Vanessa Nedrick informed John Palmer that the grant would not be available until April.

John Palmer questioned Vanessa Nedrick if she has heard anything back from Philadelphia Water about the Headley Pumping Station.

Debra DeBlasio excused herself from the meeting at 8:10 P.M. for the discussion of Siemens Water Technologies due to a conflict of interest.

Vanessa Nedrick indicated that she has not heard anything back from Philadelphia Water and that she would make a call to them to see where they are with the situation.

Debra DeBlasio returned to the meeting at 8:15 P.M. when the discussion was over.

Item #6 - Executive Director Report- Executive Director Report attached.

David Busch informed the Board that he has received an email from Pennwood Crossing and that they are not interested in transferring the system over to us.

David Busch informed the Board that H2O PA Grant has another grant and the deadline to apply is mid July.

The Board directed David to get together with Marty Witt and Vanessa Nedrick to see if there are any projects that the grant would cover.

Item #7 - Review of Bill List- Lisa Mangone made a motion to approve the bill list for February 24, 2010 in the amount of \$725,866.48 and to hold the payment for National Metering until TOFA receives the Warranty Bond. William Renson seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

James Goodwin	Yes
William Renson	Yes
Lisa Mangone	Yes
John Palmer	Yes
Debra DeBlasio	Yes

Motion Carried 5-0.

Item #8 – Board Comment – John Palmer would like David Busch to look into getting an Energy Audit for the Pumping Stations.

David Busch indicated when stations get upgraded they could at that time be replaced with pumps that are more energy efficient.

Lisa Mangone would like David to put something on the Authority Web-Site to ask customers to please clear snow around the fire hydrants.

Lisa Mangone would like to have an open house when the Authority Building is complete.

Adjournment – Lisa Mangone made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 P.M. William Renson seconded the motion. All in favor.